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SUBJECT: SUHARTO RAZAK MEETING

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1. FONDEPT ACTING ASIA PACIFIC DIRECTOR AKOSAH MADE FOLLOWING COMMENTS TO POLCOUNS NOV 20 CONCERNING RECENT RAZAK-SUHARTO MEETING (REFTELS) BASED ON WHAT AKOSAH CALLED "PARTIAL DEBRIEFING" OF SENIOR FONDEPT OFFICIALS WHO ATTENDED TALKS.

2. ACCORDING AKOSAH TALKS WERE LARGELY GENERAL IN NATURE AND DID NOT RESULT IN ANY AGREEMENT ON MAJOR ISSUES FACING ASEAN SUMMIT, SUCH AS TREATMENT OF ZONE OF PEACE, FREEDOM AND NEUTRALITY. IN AN ASIDE AKOSAH COMMENTED THAT INDONESIA AND SINGAPORE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE ZONE CONCEPT EXTREMELY THEORETICAL GIVEN PRESENT SITUATION IN SEA. INDONESIA AND MALAYSIA ALSO CONTINUE TO HOLD DIFFERING VIEWS ON HOW ASEAN
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SHOULD APPROACH HANOI, WITH JAKARTA EMPHASIZING GREATER INTRA-

ASEAN SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS WHILE KUALA LUMPUR FAVORS MORE EFFORTS TO REACH ACCOMMODATION WITH COMMUNISTS.

3. ONE RESULT OF MEETING WAS GOI AGREEMENT TO CO-SPONSOR WITH GOM RESOLUTION IN UN COMMITTEE OF 24 CALLING FOR DECOLONIZATION OF BRUNEI, BUT NOT, ACCORDING TO AKOSAH, GOING MUCH FURTHER THAN THAT. AKOSAH ADDED THAT, WHILE INDONESIA ALWAYS WELCOMES DECOLONIZATION PROCESS, SUHARTO HAD SUGGESTED TO RAZAK THAT MALAYSIA GO SLOW ON BRUNEI, GIVEN INTERNAL PROBLEMS GOM ALREADY FACES.

4. QUESTION OF MALAYSIAN RECOGNITION OF INDONESIAN ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT ALSO DISCUSSED BY TWO PRESIDENTS AND, ACCORDING INCOMPLETE REPORTS AVAILABLE TO AKOSAH, AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE REACHED. AKOSAH SAID AGREEMENT APPARENTLY FOLLOWS SUGGESTION FONDEPT HAD MADE THAT INDONESIA GUARANTEE IN WRITING PERPETUAL FREEDOM OF PASSAGE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST MALAYSIA IN RETURN FOR GOM RECOGNITION OF ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT. ON OTHER HAND, AKOSAH ADDED, MALAYSIA HAD APPARENTLY PROPOSED SOME SPECIAL HANDLING OF "NATUNA TRIANGLE" A TERM HE HAD NOT HEARD BEFORE AND WHOSE MEANING AS YET UNCLEAR TO HIM.

5. IN MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR NOV 21 ALEX ALATAS, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO FONMIN MALIK, CONFIRMED THAT TALKS LARGELY OF GENERAL NATURE. ACCORDING ALATAS, RAZAK ASSURED SUHARTO THAT GOM HAS INTERNAL SECURITY SITUATION "IN HAND." SUHARTO MERELY LISTENED, ALATAS CONCLUDED.
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